Kathy Dahlkemper COUNTY EXECUTIVE

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## COUNTY EXECUTIVE ANNOUNCES DIRECTOR Selects Katherine Wyrosdick as Director of Planning

County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper has named Katherine S. Wyrosdick as the County's new Director of Planning. Ms. Wyrosdick will oversee the development of comprehensive planning for Erie County and the acquisition of grants from state and federal sources. The appointment is effective Monday, June 8, 2015.

Ms. Wyrosdick earned a Master of Urban Planning degree from the University of Michigan and a Bachelor of Business Administration from Marshall University.

Prior to her employment with the Erie County Department of Planning, Ms. Wyrosdick served as the Director of Planning and Development for the City of Fairmont in West Virginia. Ms. Wyrosdick is a certified planner with the American Institute of Certified Planners and a member of the American Planning Association.

"Kathy has professional experience in community planning, redevelopment, and revitalization. Her comprehensive background and her professional associations will serve as an asset to the leadership within the Department of Planning and my administrative team," said County Executive Dahlkemper.

Ms. Wyrosdick has 17 years of experience as a professional community planner with a focus on downtown redevelopment and creating community collaborative initiatives. Most recently, her work has centered on the importance of building human and social capacity in rural Appalachia.

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